

Table 4.5 Educational Attainment of the Latin American Foreign-Born Population by Sex and Region of Birth: March 2000
(Numbers in thousands. 1/ 2/)

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT	REGION OF BIRTH							
	LATIN AMERICA		CENTRAL AMERICA		CARIBBEAN		SOUTH AMERICA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total 3/	10,896	100.0	7,092	100.0	2,343	100.0	1,460	100.0
Less than 9th grade	3,767	34.6	3,203	45.2	415	17.7	149	10.2
9th to 12th grade (no diploma)	1,725	15.8	1,245	17.6	332	14.2	148	10.2
High school graduate	2,710	24.9	1,547	21.8	702	29.9	461	31.6
Some college or associate degree	1,472	13.5	708	10.0	442	18.8	323	22.1
Bachelor's degree	836	7.7	286	4.0	304	13.0	247	16.9
Advanced degree	384	3.5	103	1.4	149	6.4	132	9.0
Less than high school diploma	5,493	50.4	4,448	62.7	747	31.9	297	20.4
High school graduate or more	5,403	49.6	2,644	37.3	1,596	68.1	1,163	79.6
Less than bachelor's degree	9,675	88.8	6,704	94.5	1,890	80.7	1,082	74.1
Bachelor's degree or more	1,220	11.2	389	5.5	453	19.3	379	25.9

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT	REGION OF BIRTH							
	LATIN AMERICA		CENTRAL AMERICA		CARIBBEAN		SOUTH AMERICA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Male 3/	5,411	100.0	3,701	100.0	1,045	100.0	666	100.0
Less than 9th grade	1,865	34.5	1,631	44.1	175	16.8	59	8.9
9th to 12th grade (no diploma)	898	16.6	675	18.2	156	15.0	67	10.0
High school graduate	1,336	24.7	839	22.7	287	27.5	209	31.4
Some college or associate degree	683	12.6	359	9.7	184	17.6	140	21.1
Bachelor's degree	410	7.6	132	3.6	163	15.6	115	17.2
Advanced degree	219	4.0	64	1.7	79	7.6	76	11.4
Less than high school diploma	2,764	51.1	2,306	62.3	332	31.8	126	18.9
High school graduate or more	2,647	48.9	1,395	37.7	713	68.2	540	81.1
Less than bachelor's degree	4,782	88.4	3,504	94.7	803	76.8	475	71.4
Bachelor's degree or more	629	11.6	196	5.3	242	23.2	190	28.6

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT	REGION OF BIRTH							
	LATIN AMERICA		CENTRAL AMERICA		CARIBBEAN		SOUTH AMERICA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Female 3/	5,485	100.0	3,392	100.0	1,299	100.0	794	100.0
Less than 9th grade	1,902	34.7	1,573	46.4	240	18.5	90	11.3
9th to 12th grade (no diploma)	827	15.1	570	16.8	176	13.5	82	10.3
High school graduate	1,375	25.1	708	20.9	415	31.9	252	31.7
Some college or associate degree	789	14.4	349	10.3	258	19.9	183	23.0
Bachelor's degree	426	7.8	154	4.5	141	10.8	132	16.6
Advanced degree	165	3.0	39	1.1	70	5.4	56	7.1
Less than high school diploma	2,729	49.8	2,142	63.2	415	32.0	171	21.6
High school graduate or more	2,756	50.2	1,249	36.8	883	68.0	623	78.4
Less than bachelor's degree	4,893	89.2	3,199	94.3	1,088	83.8	606	76.3
Bachelor's degree or more	592	10.8	193	5.7	211	16.2	188	23.7

1/ The majority of those born in 'Central America' are from Mexico.

2/ Age 25 years and over.

3/ Years of school completed, not attended.

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